# Strangeweather's Magical Manual of Mermaids & Faefolk

## A Visual Compendium of the Otherworldly

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What’s the difference between a nixie, a pixie, and a sprite, and what do sprites and grigs have in common? How many types of elves are there? Which countries have mermaids? Where do gnomes come from? This book answers all of those questions, but please remember, this is a visual compendium, not an encyclopedia. For a full explanation of any entities herein, simply google their name. Words abound to describe the histories and characteristics of each and every one of them; however, many of these figures were lacking articulate depictions until now. I have been earnest in my attempt to summon forth deities and fairies as their stories portray them. Wherever I found varying accounts (most myths and legends have varying accounts), I chose to depict the older or more popular versions. I didn't just try to capture the spirit of these fantastical characters—I strove to manifest the most awesome images of them I have ever seen. *Strangeweather's Magical Manual of Mermaids and Faefolk* is an invaluable resource for mythologists, monsterologists, and fantasy buffs.

# Strangeweather's Magical Manual of Mermaids & Faefolk

# Mermaids & Finfolk

The Sapphire Maiden of the Sea

The Emerald Maiden of the Sea

Atargatis the Mermaid Goddess of Water, Fertility, and Agriculture
(Mesopotamian Mythology)

Kuli-ana the Mermaid Demon (Sumerian Mythology)

Amphitrite the Queen of the Sea, and the Goddess of the Ocean
(Greek Mythology)

Poseidon the God of the Sea in Greek Mythology

Oceanus the Titan, Lord of the Ocean (Greek Mythology)

Tethys the Titan
(Mother of the River Gods and the Oceanids in Greek Mythology)

Doris the Oceanid (Greek Mythology)

Freshwater Nixie (Greek Mythology)

Saltwater Nixie (Greek Mythology)

Ianassa the Nereid (Greek Mythology)

Merman

Triton Warrior (Greek Mythology)

Song of the Siren (Greek Mythology)

Polyphemus the Cyclops, Son of Poseidon (Greek Mythology)

Calypso the Sea Nymph (Greek Mythology)

Proteus the Prophetic Old Man of the Sea (Greek Mythology)

Selkolla the Selkie (Celtic Mythology)

Muthawa the Selkie (Celtic Mythology)

Mermaid in the Fountain

The Ceasg (Scottish Folklore)

Shellycoat (Scottish Folklore)

Freshwater Merrow (Irish Folklore)

Saltwater Merrow (Irish Folklore)

Li Ban the Mermaid (Irish Mythology)

Mal-de-mer, or “Evil of the Sea” (Breton Folklore)

Zarantha of the Finfolk,
more popularly known as the Finwife of Johnny Croy (Orkney Folklore)

Finman from Finfolkaheem (Orkney Folklore)

Finfolk Hag (Orkney Folklore)

The Mermaids of Staithes (English Folklore)

Asrai Fairy (English Folklore)

Grindylow (English Folklore)

The Mermaid of Zennor (Cornish Folklore)

Morgen the Mari-morgan (Welsh Folklore)

Gwragedd Annwn (Welsh Folklore)

Norine the Alven, or "Water Fairy" (Dutch Folklore)

The Little Mermaid from *The Little Mermaid* by Hans Christian Andersen

The Sea Witch from *The Little Mermaid* by Hans Christian Andersen

Syrenka Warszawska, or “The Mermaid of Warsaw” (Polish Folklore)

Melusine (European Folklore)

Undine Water Elemental
(first introduced in the alchemical writings of Paracelsus)

The Sea Hag

La Tlanchana (Mesoamerican Folklore)

Sirena Chilota (Chilean Folklore)

Yara the Mermaid (Brazilian Folklore)

Mermaid Sorceress

Sedna the Inuit Goddess of the Sea

Dloop'dup the Qalupalik (Inuit Mythology)

The Queen of the Arctic Ocean

Likanaya and Marrayka the Yawkyawk Sisters
(Aboriginal Australian Belief)

Chernava the Mermaid (Russian Folklore)

Rusalka (Slavic Mythology)

Susulu the Mermaid (Turkic Mythology)

Anora the Dark Mermaid

The Goldfish Princess

Yemoja the Goddess of Water and Fertility, the Mother of All Orishas
(Yoruba Belief)

Mami Wata the Goddess of Water, Wealth, Fertility, and Wisdom
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Mama D’Leau, or “Mother of the River”
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Jengu Water Spirit (Sawabantu Belief)

Kananaka the Mermaid (Hawaiian Mythology)

Sirena (Philippine Mythology)

Magindara (Philippine Mythology)

Siyokoy (Philippine Mythology)

Kataw (Philippine Mythology)

Sirena the Mermaid of Guam

Suvannamaccha the Mermaid Princess (Southeast Asian Belief)

Rényú Mermaid (Chinese Folklore)

Jiaoren, or “Shark People” (Chinese Mythology)

The Lo Ting (Hong Kong Folklore)

Ningyo (Japanese Folklore)

Honen-Game, also known as Kame-Onna, or “Magic Turtle Women”
(Japanese Folklore)

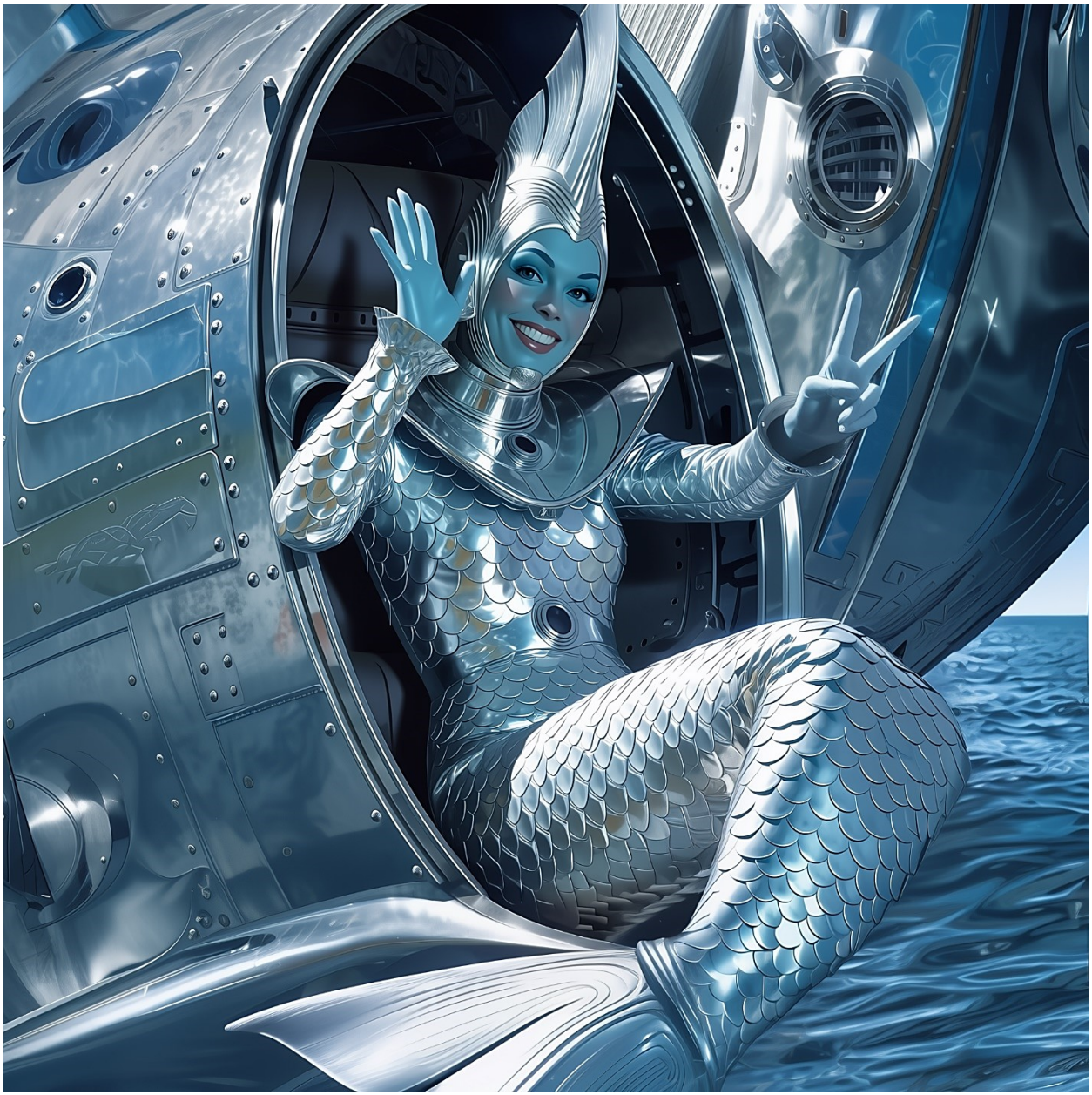
Umi-nyōbō, or the “Sea Wife” Yokai (Japanese Folklore)

Kappa Yokai (Japanese Folklore)

Sazae-Oni ("Snail Woman") Yokai (Japanese Folklore)

Octopoid

Atlantean Mermaid



Mermaid of Atlantis

One of the Eight Nommos Who were Sent to Earth (Dogon Belief)

# Fairies & Faefolk

Titania the Fairy Queen (also known as the Queen of the Seelie Court), from *A Midsummer Night's Dream* by William Shakespeare

Oberon the King of the Fairies,
from *A Midsummer Night's Dream* by William Shakespeare

Puck, also known as Robin Goodfellow,
from *A Midsummer Night's Dream* by William Shakespeare

Kenna, the Daughter of Oberon and Titania,
from *Kensington Garden* by Thomas Tickell

Fairy of the Seelie Court

Mab the Fairy Queen of the Unseelie Court (English Folklore)

Fairy of the Unseelie Court

Gloriana the Queene of the English Faeries (also known as Tanaquill),
from *The Faerie Queene* by Edmund Spenser

Aynia the Queen of the Irish Fairies

Dôn the Queen Goddess of the Welsh Faeries

Nicnevin the Witch Queen of Fairies
(Scottish Folklore)

Danu the Queen Goddess of Fae Folk (Irish Mythology)

Fairy Warrior

Garden Fairy

Crickle Flamefoot the Fire Fairy

Light Elf (Ljósálfar) of Alfheim in Norse Mythology

Wood Elf, or Sylvan Elf (European Folklore)

Dark Elf (Dökkálfar) of Svartalfheim in Norse Mythology

High Elf (European Folklore)

Christmas Elf (North American Folklore)

Christmas Elf (North American Folklore)

Sea Elf (European Folklore)

White Lady, or Weiße Frauen (Germanic Folklore)

Vâlve Able, or "White Elf" (Romanian Folklore)

Huldufólk, or "Hidden People" (Icelandic Folklore)

Astral Elf Cybermancer

Dwarf (Norse Mythology)

Gnome
(first introduced in the alchemical writings of Paracelsus)

Sylph Air Elemental
(first introduced in the alchemical writings of Paracelsus)

Kobold (Germanic Folklore)

Hobbit
(from *The Hobbit* by J.R.R. Tolkien)

Leprechaun (Irish Folklore)

Banshee (Irish Folklore)

Sprite (European Folklore)

Mischievous Sprite

Grig (British Folklore)

Mantis Folk

Mother Nature

Old Mother Wood (English and Scandinavian Folklore)

Shepherd of the Forest

Myconid (Fungus Folk)

Korrigan (Breton Folklore)

Houles Fairy (Breton Folklore)

Redcap, or Powrie (English Folklore)

House Fairy (English Folklore)

Boggart (English Folklore)

Spriggan (Cornish Folklore)

Gremlin (British Folklore)

Maglet Spinkin

The Blue Fairy from *Pinocchio* by Carlo Collodi

Tinker Bell (also known as Tink and Miss Bell),
from *Peter Pan* by J. M. Barrie

Fairy Godmother
(from *Cinderella* by Charles Perrault)

The Sugar Plum Fairy, from *The Nutcracker* by Pyotr Ilyich Tchaikovsky

Sheewa Woopawoo the Candyland Fairy

E Bukura e Dheut, or “the Beauty of the Forest” (Albanian Mythology)

E Bukura e Qiellit, or “the Beauty of the Sky” (Albanian Mythology)

E Bukura e Detit, or “the Beauty of the Sea” (Albanian Mythology)

Teefi the Cantabrian Anjana Fairy

Kyria the Friendly Fairy of Brightwood Forest

Serinia the Fairy Princess

Meema the Good Marriage Fairy

Elsie the Sun Fairy

Darla the Tooth Fairy

Myra the Tooth Fairy

Bethil the Tooth Fairy

Dilly Ninsy the Helpful Garden Fairy

Eliza Hopewell the Finder of Lost Children

Arcoírisita (“Little Rainbow”) the Fairy of Joyfulness

Gilda Goldwing the Treasure-Finding Fairy

Pureshasu the Retriever of Lost Happy Childhood Memories
(she’s also good at finding toys, jewelry, and keys)

Belinda the Sleepytime Storyteller

The Vadleany ("Wild Girl") of Hungarian Folklore

Cloud Vila (Polish Folklore)

Vila Fairy (Slavic Folklore)

Samodiva Fairy (Slavic Folklore)

Domovoy (Slavic Mythology)

Kikimora (Slavic Mythology)

Brownie (Scottish Folklore)

Habetrot and Scantlie Mab (Scottish Folklore)

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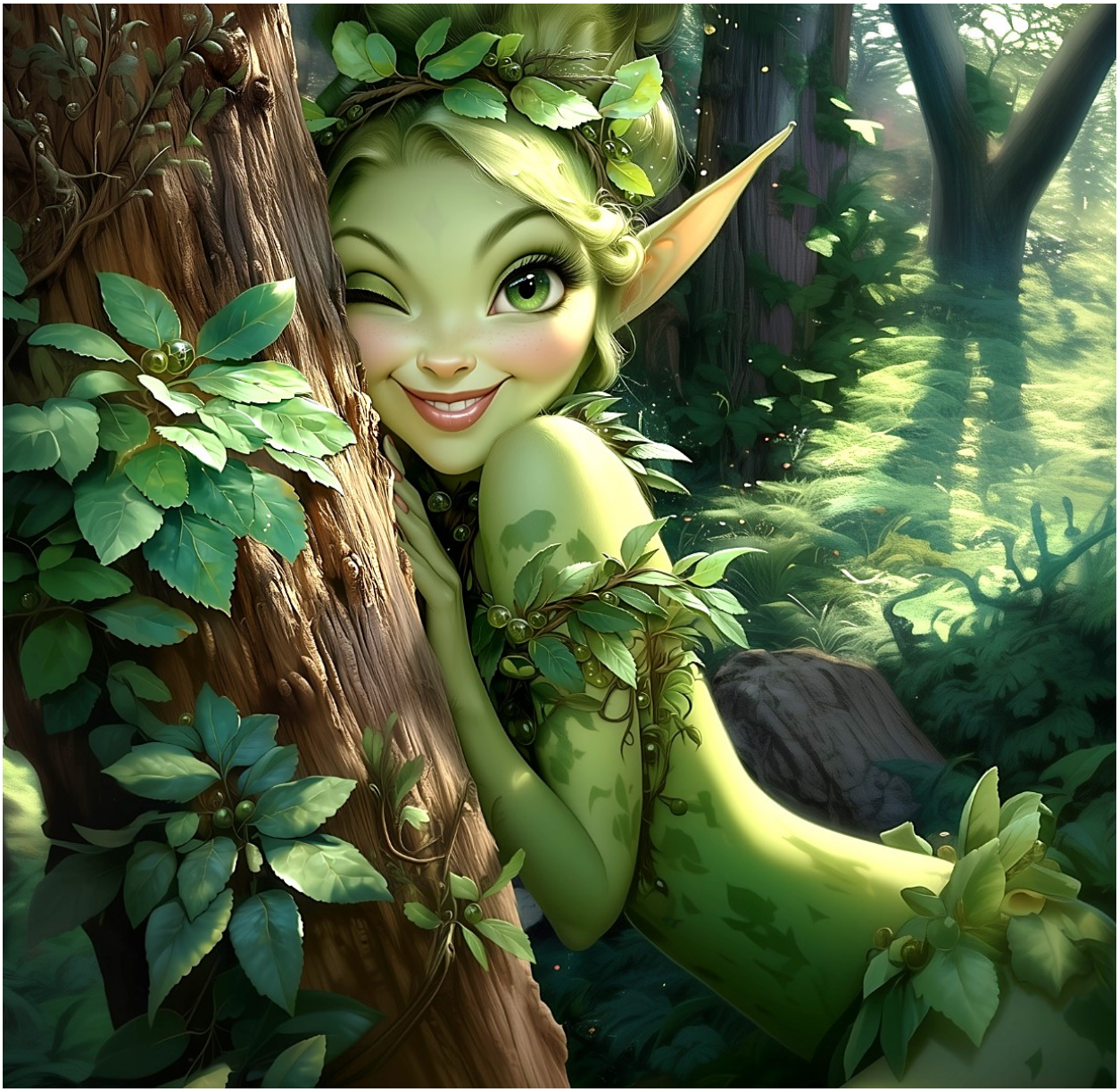
Pixies, also known as Piskies
(British Folklore)

Absinthia the Green Fairy

Moth Fairy

Oread (Greek Mythology)



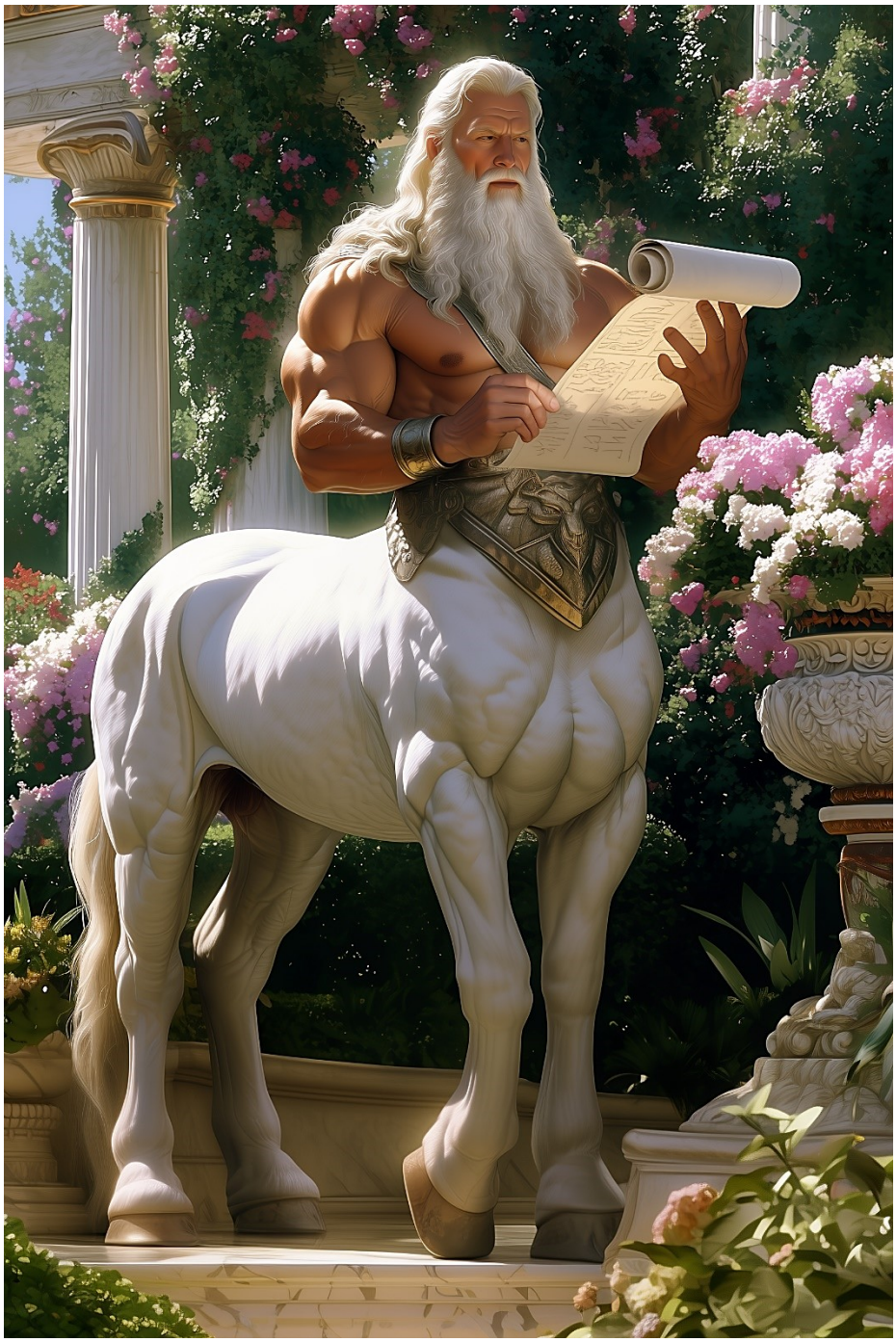
Dryad (Forest Nymph in Greek Mythology)

Daphne the Dryad (Greek Mythology)

Nephele the Cloud Nymph (Greek Mythology)

Pholus the Centaur (Greek Mythology)

Little Sally Sureshot the Centauress



Chiron the Wisest of All Centaurs
(Greek Mythology)

Nessus the Centaur (Greek Mythology)

Centaur Death Knight

Satyr (Greek Mythology)

Satyr Meditating

Akerbeltz (Basque Mythology)

Grelb (North American Folklore)

Menehune (Hawaiian Folklore)

Jinni, or Djinni, or Genie (Arabian Belief)

Blue Marid (a type of Jinn in Arabian belief)

Green Marid (a type of Jinn in Arabian belief)

Efreeti (a type of Jinn in Arabian belief)

The Fairy and the Fiend

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Pegasus (Greek Mythology)

Hippocampus (Greek Version)

Hippocampus (Roman Version)

Unicorn with Gold Horn

Unicorn with Silver Horn

Kirin (Japanese Mythology), or Qilin (Chinese Mythology)

Ki-Rin (Westernized Version)

Kelpie (Scottish Folklore)

Nightmare

# Witches & Hags

La Befana (Italian Folklore)

Nelly Longarms (English Folklore)

Jenny Greenteeth (English Folklore)

Peg Powler (English Folklore)

Nanny Rutt (English Folklore)

The Witch of Blackwood Forest (English Folklore)

Black Annis (English Folklore)

Merlin (Arthurian Legend)

Morgan le Fay (Arthurian Legend)

Nimue the Lady of the Lake (Arthurian Legend)

Orddu the Black Hag (Welsh Folklore)

Gwyll (Welsh Folklore)

Groac’h (Breton Folklore)

Doomsday Hag

Lucretia the Vile, also known as Lucretia the Curser

Sycorax the Witch from *The Tempest* by William Shakespeare

The Gingerbread Witch
(from *Hansel and Gretel* by the Brothers Grimm)

Jadis the White Witch
(from *The Chronicles of Narnia* by C.S. Lewis)

The Wicked Witch of the West
(from *The Wonderful Wizard of Oz* by L. Frank Baum)

Glinda the Good Witch of the South
(from *The Wonderful Wizard of Oz* by L. Frank Baum)

Tattypoo the Good Witch of the North, also known as Locasta
(from *The Wonderful Wizard of Oz* by L. Frank Baum)

Maleficent from Disney's *Sleeping Beauty*

Grimhildr (Norse Mythology)

The Cailleach (Gaelic Mythology)

Muma Pădurii (Romanian Folklore)

Baba Roga (South Slavic Folklore)

Baba Yaga with Iron Teeth
(Slavic Mythology)

Baba Yaga’s House

Baba Yaga’s House (Winged Version)

Kriksy (Slavic Mythology)

Nocnitsa (Slavic Mythology)

Perchta, also known as Bertha the Belly-Slicer (Germanic Folklore)

Holda, or Frau Holle (German Folklore)

Klagemuhme (German Folklore)

Klagemuhme in the Form of a Fiery Toad

Lutzelfrau the Christmas Witch (German Folklore)

Gryla the Christmas Ogre (Icelandic Folklore)

The Yule Cat of Gryla

Mother Soot

Plague Hag

Chedipe (Indian Folklore)

Kali Daayan (Indian Folklore)

Rantas (Kashmiri Folklore)

Circe the Sorceress (Greek Mythology)

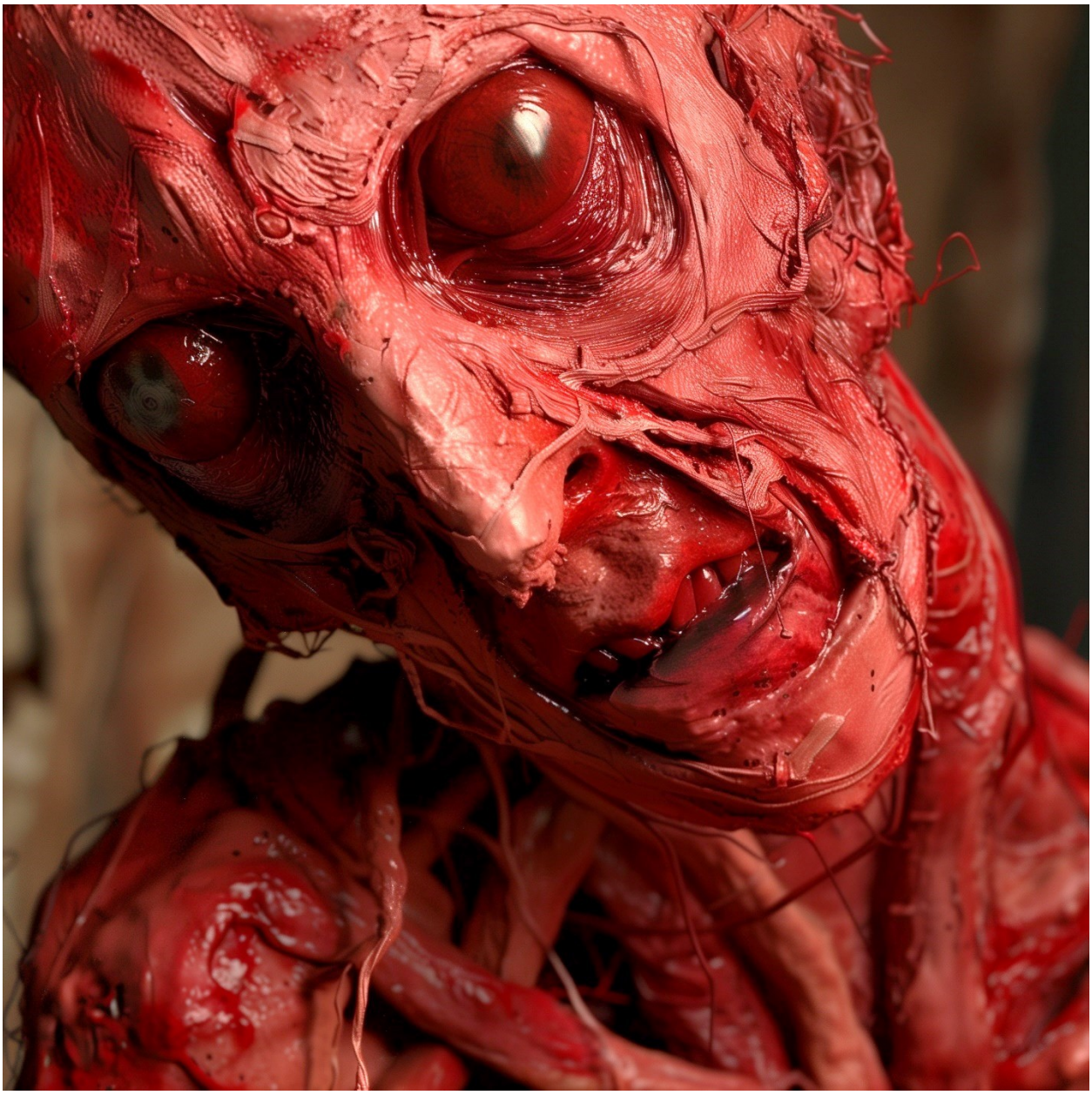
Medea the High Priestess of Hekate (Greek Mythology)

Shroom Hag

Bone Hag

The Desert of Bones

Night Hag



Boo Hag (Gullah Geechee Folklore)

Death Hag

Shadow Hag

Blue Hag

Poison Hag

Red Hag of Gehenna

River Hag

The Louisiana Gator Hag

The Gator Girl of Florida

Black Water Hattie the Swamp Witch
(from the song “Swamp Witch” by Jim Stafford)

The Midnight Hag

The Gyre-Carlin (Scottish Folklore)

Moon Hag

Storm Hag

Al-Basti the Tormentor (Turkic and Armenian Folklore)

Shtriga (Albanian Folklore)

Boginka the Bog Hag (Polish Mythology)

Mamuna the Swamp Hag (Slavic Mythology)

Dziwozona (Slavic Mythology)

Yuki-onna, or “Snow Woman” (Japanese Folklore)

Kijo (Japanese Folklore)

Aonyōbō (Ogre Witch Yōkai from Japanese Folklore)

Purple Hag of Yomi (Japanese Folklore)

Yamauba, or “Mountain Witch” (Japanese Folklore)

Dust Hag

Green Hag

Frost Hag

Gray Hag

The Cuca (Brazilian Folklore)

La Pisadiera (Brazilian Folklore)

Cumacanga (Brazilian Folklore)

The Witch of Endor (Hebrew Bible: 1 Samuel, Chapter 28)

Erichtho the Necromancer (Legendary Thessalanian Witch)

Goblin Spellcasters

Troll Witch

Ogre Witch

The Sphinx of Thebes (Greek Mythology)

The Sphinx of Hollywood

The Sphinx of Zimbabwe

The Sphinx of Chichen Itza

The Sphinx of Pengcheng

Androsphinx

J. Martin Strangeweather is a quasi-mythical being. He defined and developed the contemporary literary genre known as mediatized realism, coining the term, and he is the originator of the eidetic afterlife hypothesis. After a lifetime of traveling the globe, studying philosophy, world religion, quantum mechanics, temporal physics, the biology of time perception, thanatology, and art theory, here's what Mr. Strangeweather learned in a nutshell: We should all try to be a little kinder, a little more patient, and a little more forgiving.